

A BICYCLE DRUM CORPS.

A Newark G. A. R. Post Will Go Into Politics on Wheels.

Linenpost, G. A. R., of Newark, N. J., has introduced a novel feature for the parades of the future, and incidentally the political campaign is to have the benefit. It is to be a big old drum and bugle corps on bicycles. Each member will be in uniform.

Recently the members of the drum and bugle corps of the post decided to take up the bugle and present wheels. Over \$1,400 was paid for bicycles, on which the musicians have learned to ride with both hands employed with drumsticks or bugles. The balancing necessary, especially on slow marches, will strike the uninitiated as quite wonderful, and yet those orchestra have attained perfection in the art.

The uniform adopted by the corps consists of dark blue fatigue coat, with black braid trimming and brass buttons, fatigue cap, white duck knee breeches and black silk stockings.

Few Die of Old Age.

Only 900 persons in 1,000,000, according to medical authority, die from old age, while 1,700 succumb to gout, 18,400 to measles, 2,700 to apoplexy, 7,000 to paralysis, 7,500 to consumption, 48,000 to scarlet fever, 25,000 to whooping cough, 20,000 to typhoid and typhus, and 7,000 to rheumatism. The averages vary according to locality, but those are considered pretty accurate as regards the population of the globe as a whole.—*British Free Press*.

Those Election Bets.

Samuel Condon of English, Ind., a stonemason and a bachelor, and Mrs. McKirley, a prosperous widow, have made a wager. Mrs. McKirley agrees to carry the load or mix mortar for one week if her namesake is elected; while Mr. Condon agrees to build a chimney for the widow if Bryan is elected.

Rode 125 Miles to Become a Lawyer.

L. D. Hotchkiss, a plucky young man who lives in Cheyenne county, Kan., wanted to go to Oberlin, 125 miles away, to stand an examination at the bar. Having no money to pay his train fare, he rode the distance on a bicycle, passed a successful examination and pedaled back home again.

No New Yacht for the Prince.

Mr. Watson informs The Journal's Glasgo correspondent that the reports published in New York and London newspapers that the Prince of Wales has commissioned him to build a new racing yacht for next season to replace Britannia are without foundation. Mr. Watson has no important racing yachts in hand.—*New York Journal*.

Second Crop, Maybe.

It now looks as though a second crop of fruit will be the reward of the farmers and fruit raisers of Allen county, O. Apple, cherry, plum and many other trees are in bloom again, and should the heavy frosts delayed a second crop is probable. Many flowers have bloomed the second time.

SPIRITS OF INDIANS.

Lily Dale Mediums Living Messages In Glimmer From Red Men.

"Big Indian me. Pick teeth with saw, Whoop!" It will be seen from this remark, made at a powwow of Lily Dale last week, that the well-known spiritual center has broken out in a new place. The word "powwow" is used advisedly, as it has been adopted by the new Indian mediums at Lily Dale.

The new move exasperates on account of some of the more early members of the persuasion objecting to the many trifles that have crept into the spiritual meetings, and they held grave meetings, where they could be unrestrained. Somehow it became the style in these meetings to call up the spirits of Indians, and the members who partake these spirits gather about in various groups, and when fully inspired drop into all sorts of dances and odd scenes, to the great wonder, awe, edification or disgust of the spectators, according to the amount of faith they may have in the movement.

The meetings are led by Mrs. Mary E. Lyman of Chicago, who is the chieftainess of the powwow. She selects the medium who are to act as the mouthpieces of the Indian chiefs and squaws, and they take their places in the meeting as directed and wait for the inspiration to come. When it is on strong the dancing, yelling and whooping are something tremendous.

It is said that at a late powwow one of the medium had her dress torn off, but the frenzy was so great that she did not mind a little thing like that and went through the motions just the same. When some one objects that the language used is not that of any known Indian tribe it is explained that it is an intimate mixture of a great many, a sort of babel of Indian talk, and so does not contain any real words that can be said to be in any one language.

There came to the powwow the other day a western doctor who had traveled with Buffalo Bill, and he said that if they would admit him into the inner circle he would teach them the green-sawn dance, which appears none of the inspired dances knows any more than they know the Indian tongue.—*New York Press*.

STRONG LIGHT THROUGH PRISMES.

Dark Room Illuminated by Means of a Simple Device.

Science has played another trick on old Sol for the benefit of humanity. The prism has been so constructed as to catch a ray of sunshine and by its magic powers transform it into a flood of silvery light. The discovery fulfills the promise of banishing dark rooms and basements into the realms of memory, where they will figure as the marks of an uncivilized age.

The Prismatic Glass company is giving an exhibition of its remarkable product in a darkened atmosphere in Chicago. Two small openings in the front permit a pale, sickly light to struggle into the dim interior. When the openings are closed with the prismatic glass, the big room is instantly filled with a light as bright as though scores of incandescent lamps were burning. An even more wonderful transformation is made in the appearance of the basement.

The glass is smooth on its outer surface, but has semiprecious on its inner surface. A cross section would look like the tooth of a saw. The glass polarizes the sun's rays and diffuses a white light. It also destroys the glare of the sun. One of Chicago's new skyscrapers is to be fitted up with the prismatic glass.—*Chicago Times Herald*.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S HANDS.

How She Keeps Them Plump, White, and Unwrinkled.

"You are quite right in your surprise that her majesty possesses wonderfully beautiful hands, though they are by no means small for her height; that they are plump, white and un wrinkled. Would you like to know the reason?" asked the manicure, who was beautifying my hands for a dinner party.

Of course, says the writer in *Answers*, I was all attention.

"Well, as you are doubtless aware, her majesty is a great knitter. Indeed, she is busily at work with her needles, either at socks or mittens for the poor, little vests for her many great-grandchildren, or cat and bedquits. The mere exertions induced by knitting and the position assumed by the hands tend to whitening, refine and keep them in good shape, while, in the same way, the hands never look more attractive than when so employed."

"Why have so many cooks prettily shaped hands and arms?" I asked.

"Simply because they do so much with them. Knitting bread is one of the best beautifiers the hands can have. Where women who work much in the house usually fail to secure pretty hands it is by not drying them well after each washing, and by not wearing gloves for rough labor, such as the cleaning of grates. Of course it is a bit of trouble always to put on gloves, but smooth, un wrinkled hands are worth a good deal to a woman, or should I think."

ARADISE FOR SUFFRAGISTS.

Where Women Enjoy Almost the Same Rights as Men.

From the earliest period the Iceniæ woman has enjoyed distinct individuality. The wife has always held the place of an equal with her husband in matters pertaining to the home. In the old days she wore a bracelet from which hung the insignia of office—her keys and purse. Now that she has laid aside the gold wristband, these significant household accoutrements are carried in the dress pocket; but they are hers, nevertheless.

Iceniæ women, says *Answers*, vote in all church and parish matters; and, as in the church and state are combined, this is in reality a civic privilege. They also have full municipal suffrage, but as yet cannot vote upon matters pertaining to commerce nor for members of parliament, though there is a strong sentiment abroad in favor of giving them these additional advantages.

Women take part in many political meetings, and talk upon all political subjects. During the althing sessions great numbers of the most intelligent women of the capital city are in constant attendance. For some years there has existed a political society of women, and when momentous questions affecting their interests are before the legislative body large meetings are called and addressed by women, setting forth their claims.

THE GREAT ISSUE.

When It Comes Before the People the Result Will Not be Doubtful.

But when the issue comes before the people, what will be the result? Why should not free silver carry Illinois, Ohio and Indiana? The great majority of the people in those States are agriculturists and industrialists. These classes for the most part believe that the people have a right to say what mints they will receive and use as a medium of exchange. They know that it is admitted by all intelligent observers that more money is needed to stimulate industry and to give employment to idle labor. They believe that silver fills the bill. They see in the money of the people for the reason that, if restored to its rightful function, it will expand the currency, and so doing increase the opportunities and expand the activities of labor.

The preachers have fallen down once, and they may do so again. There is not the same assured tone about their utterances now that there was a few months ago. They stammer as they predict. There is a dropping of the eye, and a mantling blush on the cheek, as they read along the events of the future, knowing as they do that the past confounds them. There is a marked impediment in the oracle's speech, and the harp is hung upon the weeping willow.—*Memphis Commercial Appeal*.

Titles of English Kings.

The title "excellent grace" was given to Henry VI., "most high and mighty prince" to Edward IV., and "highness" to Henry VIII. The title was also applied to Henry VIII. until toward the close of his reign, the more lofty expression of "majesty" came into use—being the expression with which Francis I. addressed him at their interview in 1530.

Title Enough Without Bibles.

It would be interesting to ascertain the laws that prevail in Wales with regard to the religious conditions of the United States. At a public sale at Swansea, the other day, a number of family Bibles were put on for auction on the ground that their owner had no further use for them "because they were antiquated to America."

Currency Contraption.

Fortunately, the people of the country are beginning to discover that the gold standard means the constant contraction of the currency. Those who know that the volume of retail business depends entirely on the amount of money in circulation are able to explain the deep depression that has fallen on the business interests of this country. If the volume of currency amounted to \$22 per capita, business would be only a shade less active than it was five years ago. As a matter of fact, the business of the country is in such a depressed condition that it is impossible to make any estimate of the tremendous losses that the gold standard has involved. The actual contraction of the currency is even greater than any figures show, and it is bound to continue as long as the people choose to tolerate the British system of finance in this country.—*America's Review*.

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